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## PROJECT CEASEFIRE RAYVILLE MAN INDICTED FOR ILLEGAL MACHINE GUNS

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Rayville, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for illegally possessing two machine guns. The indictment, Graves said, is part of Project Ceasefire, the district's ongoing anti-crime initiative.

**David L. Raymond**, 44, of Rayville, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Raymond** illegally possessed a Norinco AK-47 style machine gun and a Military Armament Corporation MAC-10 .45-caliber machine gun on Aug. 23, 2005.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney David A. Barnes. It was investigated by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

#### **Project Ceasefire**

Project Ceasefire, launched in October 1999, is a cooperative initiative by federal and local law enforcement and the Kansas City Crime Commission that targets for federal prosecution persons who unlawfully use or possess firearms.

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